

The Director of Central Intelligence

Washington, D.C. 20505

8 SEP 1977

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It sure was my  
intent to place a ceiling  
on # granted access  
at NSA (#2) -  
Can I do it?

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MEMORANDUM FOR: Director, National Security Agency

SUBJECT: Sensitive Compartmented Information Policy (U)

1. (C) This will acknowledge your memorandum of 22 July 1977 wherein you express your concern that my desire to stabilize the current level of COMINT access approvals might adversely affect the operation of NSA.
2. (U) I am mindful of the provision of Public Law 88-290 which requires that persons employed by NSA be cleared for access to classified information. It was never my intent to place any ceiling on the number of NSA personnel granted such access.
3. (C) Nevertheless, it is evident to me that all NFIB departments and agencies can take certain steps to limit and possibly to reduce the overall levels of sensitive compartmented information access approvals. The levels currently authorized for contractors, for example, should be subjected to closer scrutiny.
4. (U) Your expressed support of my policy of limiting access to sensitive compartmented information is appreciated, and I look forward to your cooperation in the community-wide effort to effect greater control of such access. I should like to point out that my letter to the Acting Deputy for the Intelligence Community encompassed several actions affecting the security of sensitive programs and products, all of which I consider to be equally as important as the limitation of access approvals.

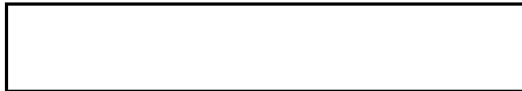
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ORIGINATOR:



Robert W. Gambino  
Director of Security

2 SEP 1977  
Date

CONCURRENCE:

/s/ Michael J. Malanick

Michael J. Malanick  
Acting Deputy Director  
for  
Administration

7 SEP 1977  
Date

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